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We are a thriving, dynamic practice, not shrinking from the challenges the future may bring. We are grateful for the many positive comments we have received from students in the past about this aspect of our practice. We are a full spectrum family medicine practice, so students will get a very well-rounded clinical experience.

We are also located in a National Scenic Area, so there are many wonderful recreational activities for students when they are not working.

We have 6 physicians as the primary preceptors, Dr. Troy Witherrite, Dr. Chris Faison, Dr. Liette Witherrite, Dr. Allen LaBerge, Dr. Alicia Gimenez, and Dr. Chris Samuels. We envision students to be paired with each physician on a given day of the week. Some days will be split half days with a given preceptor. The majority of the time will be spent in the clinic, with optional time with hospitalist work, endoscopy, and emergency room work.

Primary Site:

Northshore Medical Group on Highway 14 in White Salmon, WA Klickitat County

Secondary Site:

Northshore Medical Group in Stevenson WA (25 miles to the west) Skamania County

**Skyline Hospital** – Primary Care Endoscopy, Possible Hospitalist shifts. Hospital forms listed here, your CV and your immunization records and Letter of Good Standing (request it from me) must be sent two weeks in advance to:

Kent Nielson: knielson@myskylinehealth.org

**Klickitat Valley Hospital** – Rural ER shifts possible (hospital contact subject to change)

 Sasha Halm: shalm@kvhealth.net

**Community:**

White Salmon is a growing community the Columbia Valley Gorge area of Washington. The areas industries include a rapidly growing high-tech light industry, art, and food/beverage services sectors. A broad range of outdoor adventures include river rafting and kayaking, hiking, mountain biking, and ice caves in nearby Gifford Pinchot National Forest.

**Common Clinic Patients:**

White Salmon is a diverse community. Approximately 25% of the community is Spanish-speaking. There is a smaller Native American population. Many inhabitants live in rural or semi-rural neighborhoods.

**On-Call Duties:**

Weekend Acute Care shifts are optional, scheduling is flexible. Some of the preceptors also engage in other hospital based work: ER, hospitalist, and endoscopy. These are optional parts of the full spectrum family medicine experience.

**Housing/Transportation:**

Clerkship provides housing within close distance to the White Salmon clinic and Skyline Hospital. Students are required to provide their own vehicle.

2 bedroom that will sometimes need to be shared in summer rotation. The physical setup is such that it could be easily shared with another student (both bedrooms have a private bathroom), or would be great for kids for folks with a family (although there isn’t a yard at all). It’s a nice place.

No pets. High speed internet!

We will send students the housing details beforehand (we’re setting it up with an entry code so no key trade will be needed).

Unfortunately, there isn’t much public transportation here. It is walking distance (.75 mile up a hill, but not super steep) to downtown White Salmon that has coffee shop, bakery, grocery store, brewery, etc. It’s also just a block or so away from excellent mountain biking trails/terrain park and hiking.

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